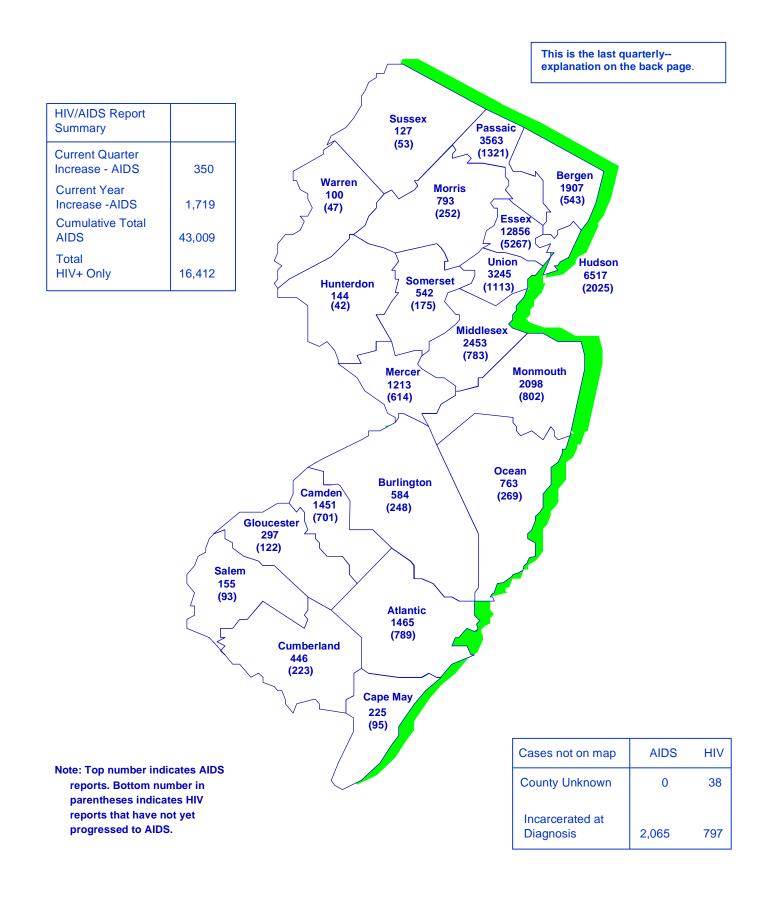
# **NEW JERSEY HIV/AIDS CASES Reported as of December 31, 2001**



### **HIV/AIDS** Reporting in New Jersey - The First Two Decades

HIV/AIDS reporting has been the cornerstone of Statewide efforts to monitor the spread of HIV infection in New Jersey. Beginning in 1981, AIDS reporting provided population based data that best reflected changes in the epidemic. However, starting in 1987-88, with treatments like AZT that proved effective in slowing the progression of HIV infection to disease, AIDS reporting began to slowly level off. Initial medical advances diminished the ability of AIDS surveillance to accurately represent current trends in the spread of HIV and the impact of the epidemic on our State. In response to this, confidential named HIV reporting was approved in 1991 and begun in earnest in 1992. With this effort, New Jersey became the first high volume reporting state to implement a comprehensive HIV/AIDS surveillance program.

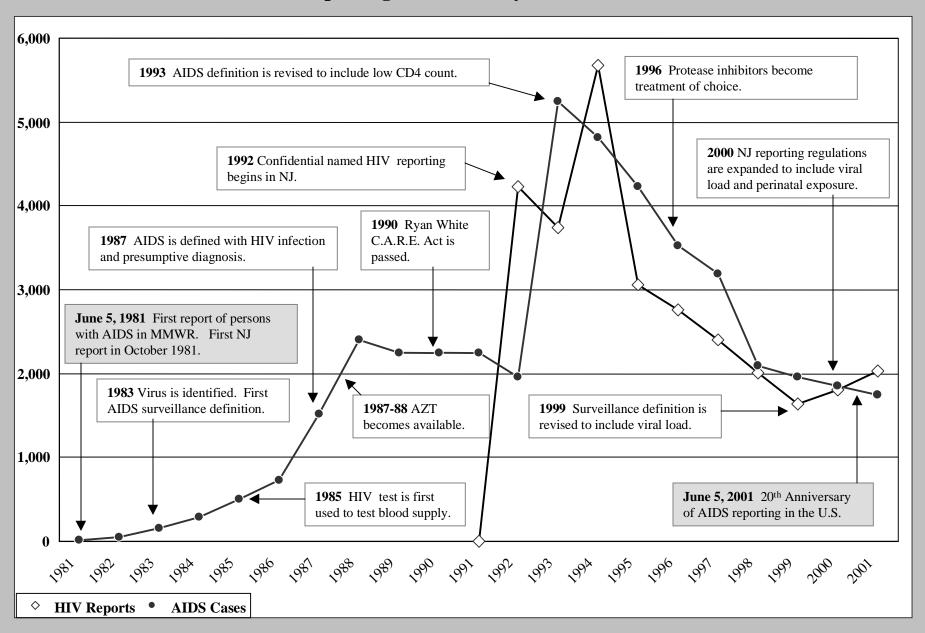
In 1993, both the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE) made recommendations to again revise AIDS reporting to incorporate new understanding of HIV disease that included low CD4 counts. Over the next three years, more than 25,000 residents were reported with either HIV or AIDS largely due to these new recommendations. In 1996, both the reporting of AIDS cases and deaths due to AIDS declined for the first time and was primarily attributed to the availability of protease inhibitors and their early use in combination therapy. This decline in both new HIV and AIDS reports continued through the end of 1999.

In December 1999, the CDC expanded the HIV definition to include viral load in order to incorporate all current laboratory criteria for more efficient HIV/AIDS reporting. Laboratory data has become increasingly important both as a source of information for initiating case reports and as a tool for evaluating the quality of prevention programs and care resources.

As of September 2000, New Jersey's reporting regulations were broadened to include viral load test results. At the same time, our State's reporting regulations were also expanded to include perinatal exposure in order to better document the sharp decline in perinatally acquired HIV infection, the increase in the proportion of infected women who have been tested for HIV before delivery, and the high proportion of infected pregnant women who accept preventive therapy. During the past two years there has been an increase in new HIV reports, primarily attributed to the recent changes in reporting regulations and increased surveillance activities, and a modest decrease in AIDS reports which may continue to be related to treatment advances.

Unfortunately, not all persons infected with HIV are tested, much less reported, therefore, HIV/AIDS reporting data provides, at best, an estimate of the number of infected persons living with HIV. After the first two decades, HIV/AIDS reporting in New Jersey remains most representative of those individuals who have HIV infection diagnosed at hospitals, medical clinics and other confidential diagnostic settings within the State.

## **HIV/AIDS** Reporting in New Jersey – The First Two Decades



This graphic is dedicated to all those whose lives have been affected by HIV/AIDS.

Table 1. New Jersey Adult/Adolescent AIDS Cases Reported January 2001 - December 2001 and Cumulative Totals as of December 31, 2001 by Age at Diagnosis and Gender

		M	ALE		FEM	ALE			TO					
Age Group	January 2001- December 2001				January 2001- December 2001		Cumulative Total		January 2001- December 2001				Females as Percent of Cumulative Age Group	
	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	Totals	
13-19	9	1%	118	0%	5	1%	_	1%	14	1%	196	0%	40%	
20-29 30-39	98 392	9% 34%	3,778 13.682	12% 45%		12% 42%		18% 49%		10% 37%	5,936 19.489	14% 46%	36% 30%	
40-49	440	38%	9,265	31%	_	33%	-,	24%		36%	12,133	29%	24%	
Over 49	210	18%	3,521	12%	76	13%	994	8%	286	16%	4,515	11%	22%	
Total	1,149	100%	30,364	100%	589	100%	11,905	100%	1,738	100%	42,269	100%	28%	

Table 2. AIDS Cases by State of Residence Reported to CDC as of December 31, 2001											
CUMULATIVE TOTAL SINCE 1981											
STATE OF	Adult/Ad	olescent	Chi	ildren	То	tal					
RESIDENCE	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)					
New York	147,065	18%	2,276	25%	149,341	18%					
California	123,200	15%	619	7%	123,819	15%					
Florida	83,888	10%	1,436	16%	85,324	10%					
Texas	56,344	7%	386	4%	56,730	7%					
New Jersey	43,068	5%	756	8%	43,824	5%					
Pennsylvania	26,033	3%	336	4%	26,369	3%					
Illinois	26,047	3%	272	3%	26,319	3%					
Puerto Rico	25,730	3%	389	4%	26,119	3%					
Georgia	24,347	3%	212	2%	24,559	3%					
Maryland	23,228	3%	309	3%	23,537	3%					
Remainder of US	228,125	28%	2,083	23%	230,208	28%					
Total	807,075	100%	9,074	100%	816,149	100%					

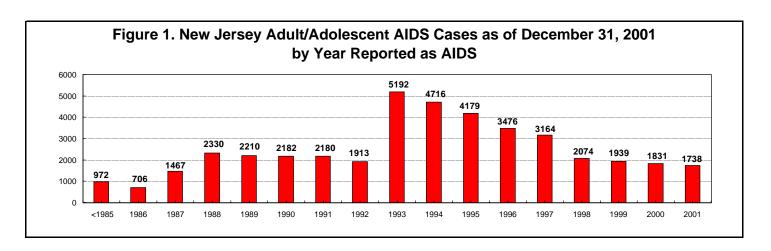


Table 3. New Jersey AIDS Cases with Pediatric (1) Risk Data as of December 31, 2001

Risk (2)	White	Black	Hispanic	Other/Not Reported	Total
Mother With/At Risk of AIDS (3)	107	489	139	4	739
Hemophilia/Coagulation Disorder	10	7	5	0	22
Transfusion/Blood Components	9	3	3	0	15
Risk Not Reported/Other Risk	2	9	1	0	12
Total	128	508	148	4	788

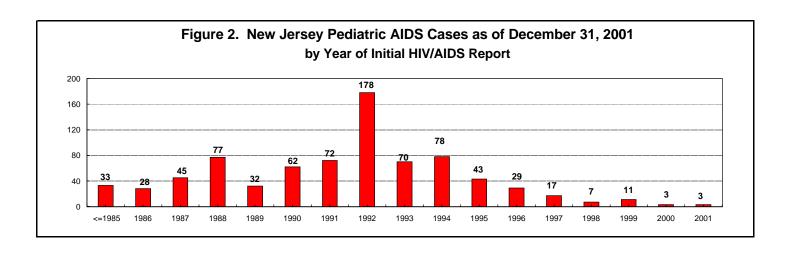
- (1) Includes all patients under 13 years of age at time of HIV infection.
- (2) Cases with more than one risk, other than the combinations listed in the tables, are tabulated only in the risk group listed first.
- (3) Epidemiologic data suggest transmission from an infected mother to her fetus or infant during the perinatal period.

Table 4. New Jersey HIV Pediatric Exposures (1) by Current Status and Year of Birth for Children Born 1993-2001

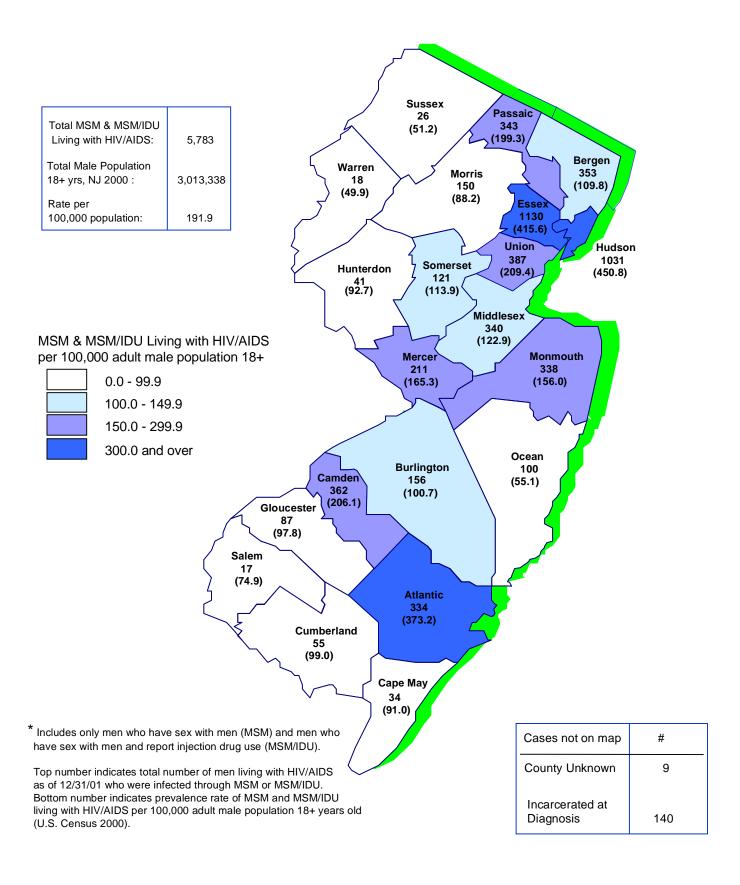
Data as of December 31, 2001

Birth Infected (2)		Indetermina	ate (3)	Serorever	ter (4)	Total Reported	
Year	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.
1993	71	21%	70	21%	195	58%	336
1994	54	17%	102	32%	159	51%	315
1995	50	16%	79	25%	185	59%	314
1996	36	13%	66	23%	179	64%	281
1997	31	12%	67	26%	161	62%	259
1998	21	7%	92	31%	183	62%	296
1999	11	5%	73	32%	147	63%	231
2000	9	4%	90	37%	147	59%	246
2001	4	3%	102	79%	28	21%	134

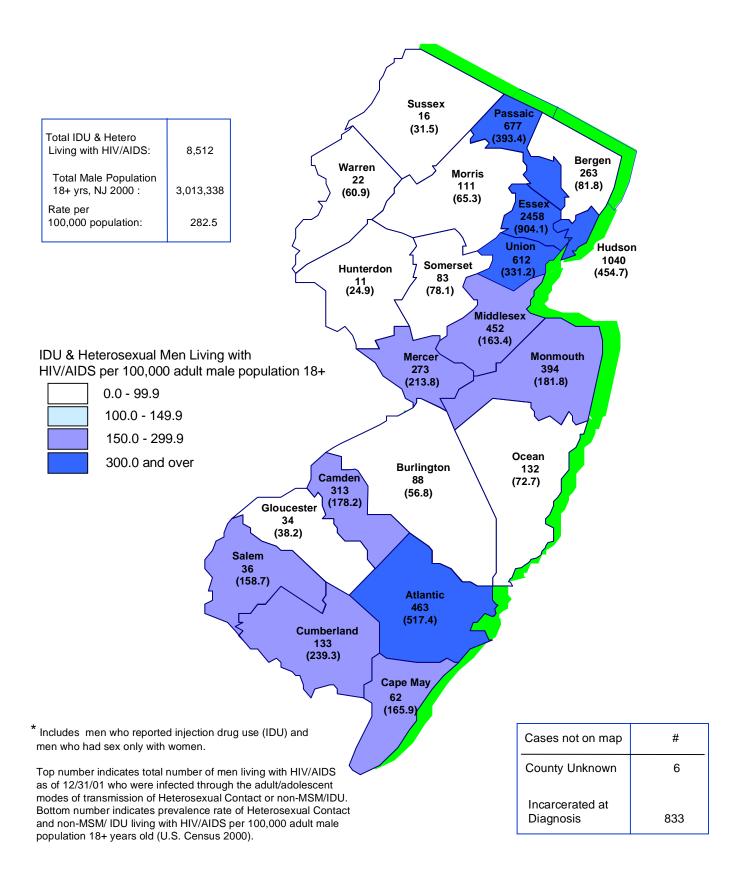
- (1) Exposure Child was exposed to HIV during pregnancy/delivery.
- (2) Infected Child is infected with HIV.
- (3) Indeterminate Child was exposed but actual status of infection is unknown.
- (4) Seroreverter Child was perinatally exposed and proven to be uninfected.



# ADULT/ADOLESCENT MSM & MSM/IDU MEN LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS IN NEW JERSEY\* Reported as of December 31, 2001



# ADULT/ADOLESCENT IDU & HETEROSEXUAL MEN LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS IN NEW JERSEY\* Reported as of December 31, 2001



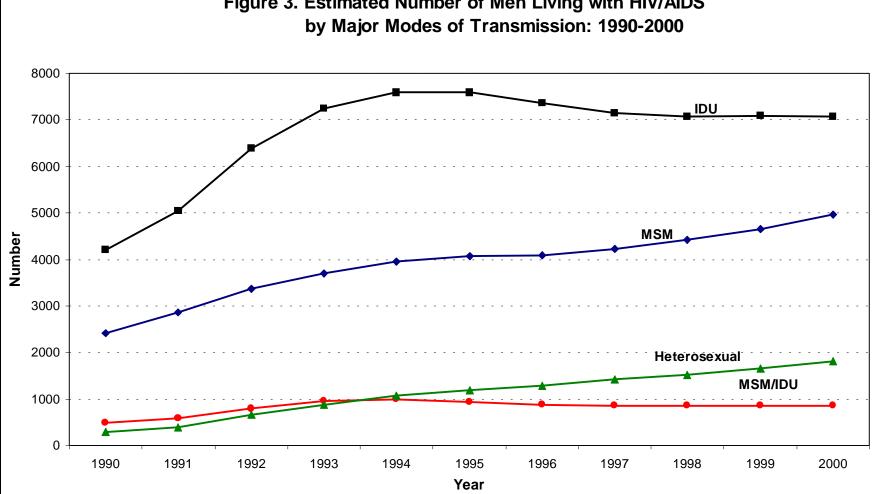


Figure 3. Estimated Number of Men Living with HIV/AIDS

Figure 3 shows the estimated number of men living with HIV/AIDS between 1990 and 2000 by major modes of transmission.

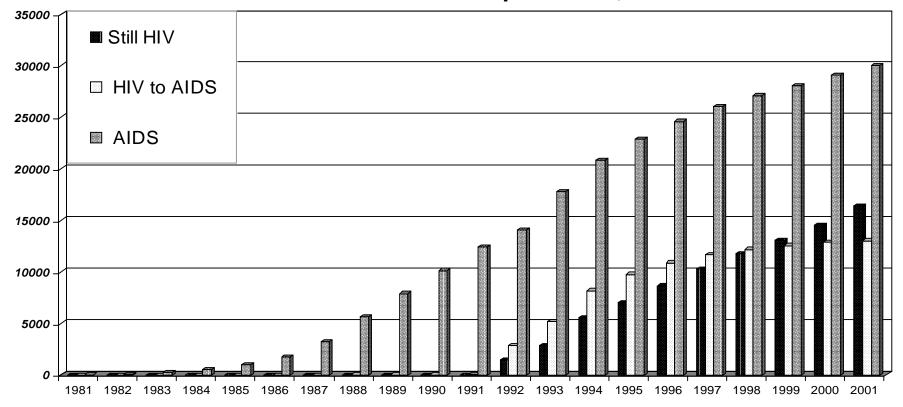
- IDU: The number of men living who reported injection drug use (IDU) as a source of infection increased between 1990 and 1994 and then leveled off largely due to a decrease in new reports. The number of newly diagnosed men infected through injection drug use has continued to steadily decline.
- MSM: The number of men living whose source of infection is sex with men (MSM) increased steadily between 1990 and 2000. The increase is largely due to increased survival within this group.
- Heterosexual: The number of men living with HIV/AIDS infected through heterosexual contact has increased steadily since 1990.
- MSM/IDU: The number of men living with HIV/AIDS whose source of infection is MSM/IDU has remained more or less stable since 1994.

### Table 5. Persons Living with HIV/AIDS Infection by County and Selected Risk Cumulative Data as of December 31, 2001

	MALE														
						Risk									
	IDU		MSM		Heterosexual		MSM/IDU		Pediatric		Adult Other/Unk		Total		
County	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.		
Atlantic	386	40%	288	29%	77	8%	46	5%	22	2%	158	16%	977		
Bergen	203	24%	319	38%	60	7%	34	4%	20	2%	203	24%	839		
Burlington	70	22%	139	44%	18	6%	17	5%	11	3%	63	20%	318		
Camden	247	29%	323	38%	66	8%	39	5%	22	3%	147	17%	844		
Cape May	55	46%	28	24%	7	6%	6	5%	4	3%	19	16%	119		
Cumberland	99	38%	47	18%	34	13%	8	3%	19	7%	52	20%	259		
Essex	1,848	35%	902	17%	610	12%	228	4%	320	6%	1,341	26%	5,249		
Gloucester	29	18%	78	48%	5	3%	9	5%	5	3%	38	23%	164		
Hudson	815	30%	940	34%	225	8%	91	3%	103	4%	564	21%	2,738		
Hunterdon	11	17%	39	61%	0	0%	2	3%	3	5%	9	14%	64		
Mercer	205	32%	180	28%	68	10%	31	5%	31	5%	133	21%	648		
Middlesex	358	34%	284	27%	94	9%	56	5%	55	5%	203	19%	1,050		
Monmouth	289	33%	281	32%	105	12%	57	6%	50	6%	95	11%	877		
Morris	89	24%	135	37%	22	6%	15	4%	10	3%	98	27%	369		
Ocean	107	36%	91	30%	25	8%	9	3%	7	2%	61	20%	300		
Passaic	514	35%	297	20%	163	11%	46	3%	66	5%	369	25%	1,455		
Salem	23	29%	15	19%	13	16%	2	3%	9	11%	17	22%	79		
Somerset	66	25%	116	43%	17	6%	5	2%	12	4%	51	19%	267		
Sussex	11	18%	26	43%	5	8%	0	0%	1	2%	17	28%	60		
Union	476	32%	338	23%	136	9%	49	3%	54	4%	413	28%	1,466		
Warren	16	27%	17	29%	6	10%	1	2%	2	3%	17	29%	59		
Incarcerated	753	61%	66	5%	80	6%	74	6%	0	0%	269	22%	1,242		
Unknown County	6	26%	8	35%	0	0%	1	4%	3	13%	5	22%	23		
Total Males	6,676	34%	4,957	25%	1,836	9%	826	5%	829	4%	4,342	22%	19,466		

			STATE	STATE TOTAL										
	Risk										Males and Females			
	Heterosexual		IDU		Pediatric		Adult Other/Unk		Total		Total			
County	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	(%)	No.	County	No.	(%)		
Atlantic	100	26%	190	49%	17	4%	80	21%	387	Atlantic	1,364	4%		
Bergen	143	37%	98	26%	26	7%	115	30%	382	Bergen	1,221	4%		
Burlington	36	32%	34	30%	2	2%	40	36%	112	Burlington	430	1%		
Camden	155	39%	110	28%	22	6%	109	28%	396	Camden	1,240	4%		
Cape May	28	40%	26	37%	5	7%	11	16%	70	Cape May	189	1%		
Cumberland	67	43%	50	32%	10	6%	28	18%	155	Cumberland	414	1%		
Essex	1,250	33%	1,188	31%	359	9%	982	26%	3,779	Essex	9,028	30%		
Gloucester	27	45%	9	15%	3	5%	21	35%	60	Gloucester	224	1%		
Hudson	468	34%	405	30%	107	8%	386	28%	1,366	Hudson	4,104	13%		
Hunterdon	3	12%	13	50%	4	15%	6	23%	26	Hunterdon	90	0%		
Mercer	130	33%	132	33%	30	8%	108	27%	400	Mercer	1,048	3%		
Middlesex	242	41%	178	30%	29	5%	144	24%	593	Middlesex	1,643	5%		
Monmouth	237	39%	220	36%	49	8%	98	16%	604	Monmouth	1,481	5%		
Morris	49	27%	55	30%	10	6%	67	37%	181	Morris	550	2%		
Ocean	63	38%	50	30%	17	10%	37	22%	167	Ocean	467	2%		
Passaic	332	34%	289	29%	63	6%	307	31%	991	Passaic	2,446	8%		
Salem	36	50%	16	22%	7	10%	13	18%	72	Salem	151	0%		
Somerset	39	34%	34	29%	11	9%	32	28%	116	Somerset	383	1%		
Sussex	7	19%	10	27%	6	16%	14	38%	37	Sussex	97	0%		
Union	289	35%	235	28%	70	8%	232	28%	826	Union	2,292	8%		
Warren	9	32%	8	29%	2	7%	9	32%	28	Warren	87	0%		
Incarcerated	39	13%	207	67%	0	0%	65	21%	311	Incarcerated	1,553	5%		
Unknown County	1	10%	4	40%	2	20%	3	30%	10	Unknown County	33	0%		
Total Females	3,750	34%	3,561	32%	851	8%	2,907	26%	11,069	Total	30,535	100%		

Figure 4. Cumulative HIV/AIDS by Year of Report and Status
From 1981-2001 Total Reports = 59,421



Before 1992, NJ residents with HIV were not generally reported until after their infection had progressed to AIDS (HIV disease). With the onset of named HIV reporting that year, it became possible for individuals to be reported earlier. However, there still are persons whose infection was not detected or reported until they had developed AIDS (HIV disease). New Jersey HIV/AIDS Surveillance tracks individuals and records changes in status from HIV infection to AIDS over time. The above figure represents this information by year of report.

Still HIV - represents those initially reported with HIV infection who have not yet developed AIDS (HIV disease)

HIV to AIDS - represents those initially reported with HIV infection who have progressed to AIDS

AIDS - represents both those initially reported with AIDS and those whose disease progressed from HIV infection to AIDS

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The Surveillance Report staff would also like to acknowledge the efforts of all those throughout the State who collect and report HIV/AIDS cases.

### **Please Note – This Is The Last Quarterly Report**

This is the last printing of HIV/AIDS case report data on a quarterly basis. At the time that the first report of AIDS cases was produced, in October 1984, there were three counties that had yet to report a case, and nine counties with five or fewer case reports. A quick look at the map on the front of this report reflects the enormous toll that this disease has had on New Jerseyans over the past two decades.

Since the beginning, we have attempted to provide a regular update on what, at times, was a rapidly changing epidemic. Now, as we enter the third decade of reporting, we are changing our format in an attempt to provide more useable information and to respond to suggestions that many of our readers have made over time.

We will begin publishing the new HIV/AIDS Surveillance Report with a mid-year edition in the Fall and a year-end report by Spring. The new semi-annual report will be longer than our quarterly allowing us to provide more information, cover topical issues and address questions in greater depth.